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For: DEVICE FOR THE GENERATION AND USE OF MULTI-LAYERED TEXT

## RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Technology Center 2600

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of April 8, 2003. The three month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire July 8, 2003. A petition for a 1-month extension of time and requisite fee are submitted herewith extending the period for response to August 8, 2003.

It is initially noted that claims 2, 4, 5, 7, 12, 14, 15 and 17 were indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter is noted with appreciation.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding objections and rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.